

U.S. Army Garrison – Daegu unfurls its colors

Redesignation ceremony marks end of Area IV Support Activity

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CAMP HENRY – The unit responsible for managing installations in Area IV changed its colors March 28 with the redesignation of the Area IV Support Activity as United States Army Garrison – Daegu during a ceremony in front of its headquarters here.

The redesignation of USAG – Daegu coincides with the deactivation of the Installation Management Agency and subsequent activation of the Installation Management Command on Oct. 24, 2006. USAG – Daegu, an IMCOM – Korea Region unit, is the third of the four major garrisons in the Republic of Korea to be redesignated.

The Area IV Support Activity was activated on Oct. 16, 2003. It inherited the base operations mission from a 19th Theater Support Command unit – the 20th Area Support Group, which had a two-fold mission including combat service support in the lower third of the Republic of Korea. The 20th ASG assumed the base operations mission for Area IV with its reactivation on Aug. 16, 1985.

As Command Sgt. Maj. Patricia A. Keit furlled the Area IV Support Activity colors and unfurled the new scarlet and yellow colors of IMCOM and USAG – Daegu, a new chapter began in base operations throughout Area IV.

“Our heritage as the Area IV Support Activity was short, but we have accomplished much in the past three and-a-half years,” said Col. John E. Dumoulin, Jr., U.S. Army Garrison – Daegu commander. “I have no doubt that those accomplishments have touched every member of the community in one way or another.

“Specifically, we continued to improve our infrastructure at all of our installations to include Camps Henry, Walker, George, Carroll, the Pusan Storage Facility, Pier 8 and other outlying stations we support. We became even better stewards of the land and we sought to strengthen relations with our Korean friends and neighbors from the host nation. For this, we are very proud.”

The commander hailed numerous accomplishments including top to bottom renovations of the Community



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Command Sgt. Maj. Patricia A. Keit, United States Army Garrison – Daegu command sergeant major, unfurls the new scarlet and yellow colors of the Installation Management Command and USAG – Daegu, as Col. John E. Dumoulin, Jr., USAG – Daegu commander, holds the staff during the ceremony marking the redesignation of the Area IV Support Activity as USAG – Daegu March 28 at Camp Henry.

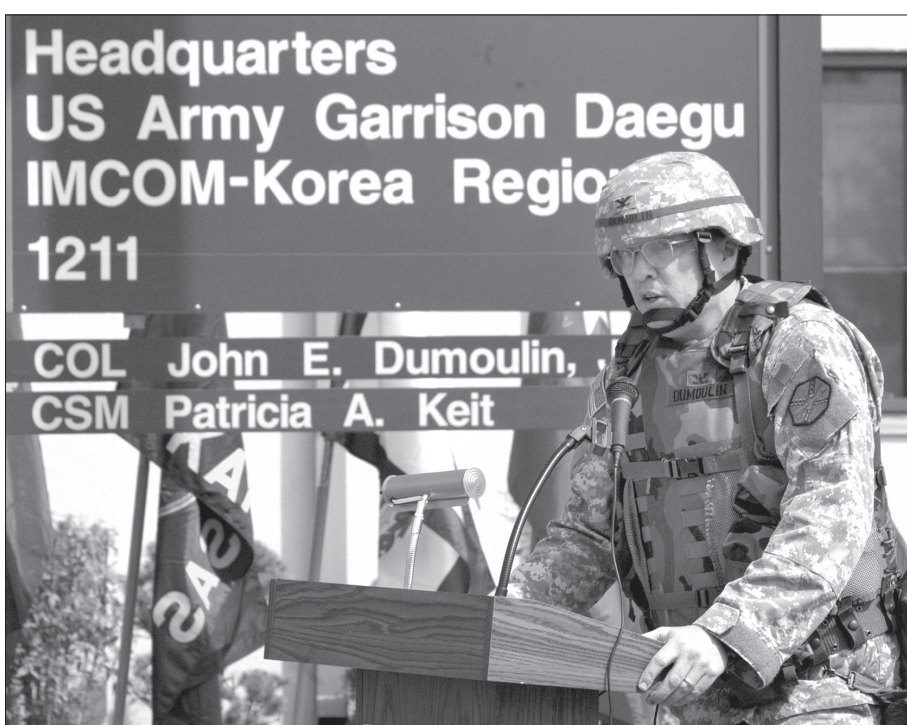
Activities Center and Bodine Dental Clinic on Camp Walker, construction of a new Teen Center in the Youth Services Center, the construction of elevators in each of the 10 Mountain View Village apartment buildings on Camp George, expansion of the Camp Walker Post Exchange and opening of the Camp Carroll Army Lodge.

He also pointed to the first place Department of the Army Community Relations Excellence Award received in March 2005 and the first runner-up award in the Fiscal Year 2006 Secretary of the Army Environmental Awards in the Overseas Installation Environmental Quality category.

Prior to the redesignation ceremony and as the last act of the Area IV Support Activity, Brig. Gen. Al Aycock, IMCOM – Korea Region director, presented the environmental award to the youngest member of the Directorate of Public Works’ Environmental Division team, Choe Kyong-ae.

The director presented each of the seven environmental staff members with an IMCOM – Korea Certificate of Appreciation.

“I want everybody to get used to getting these kinds of awards. ... This team has benchmarked themselves against the best and has been designated



Col. John E. Dumoulin, Jr., USAG – Daegu commander, addresses the crowd during the ceremony marking the redesignation of the Area IV Support Activity as USAG – Daegu March 28.

one of the best,” the director said.

USAG – Daegu is responsible for managing base operations on six U.S. Army installations and 11 sites in Area IV, which stretches from south of Daejeon to Busan, and provides support to the U.S. Navy at Fleet Activities Chinhae in Jinhae and the U.S. Marine Corps at Camp Mujuk in Pohang.

It is responsible for construction,

family care, food management, environmental programs, well-being, logistics, public works and more on the installations. USAG – Daegu supports 42 separate units and agencies with about 10,000 U.S. military, KATUSA Soldiers, American and Korean civilian employees, contractors and American family members who work and/or live on Area IV installations.